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News of the Towns

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Postponements and cancellations due to the coronavirus pandemic

MOC CFCE temporarily suspended playgroups and other family events until at least May 18 Governor Baker declared a state of emergency hoping to contain the spread of the coronavirus across the Commonwealth. The Parent Child Plus program will continue to operate with your Early Learning Specialist continuing to visit with enrolled.

Massachusetts 4-H programs, activities and club meeting are cancelled until further notice. This includes advisory councils, fair boards, horse advisories and events. Groups are allowed to meet virtually.

Oakham Congregational Church will not hold Sunday worship service through May 17.

Hubbardston Senior Center, 7A Main St., Hubbardston is closed until at least Tuesday, May 18. The eggs will still be available Thursdays at the same time and produce will still be available Wednesdays and Fridays with pickup outside. People may call the senior center at 978-928-1400, extension 211 with any questions.

The Gardner Museum, following recommendations from local and state health officials and American Alliance of Museums guidelines in response to ongoing COVID-19 prevention measures, will be closed to the public effective immediately until at least May 18.

Stage on Main, 17 South Main St., Orange has suspended all events until at least May 18 as a precaution against COVID-19.

Fobes Memorial Library in Oakham will be closed to the public until at least May 18. Library staff will be available to answer calls and assist with digital resources.

All Barre Town Buildings will be closed at least until May 18 to the public, except by appointment and include the Henry Woods Building,

Woods Memorial Library, the Council on Aging (senior center), old Town Hall, the public safety building, fire stations and DPW. Please call an office before visiting in many cases staff is able to assist over the phone or by mail. Meals on Wheels program and wellness checks for seniors will continue.

The town of Hubbardston is closing all town buildings to the public until at least May 18. Offices will continue to provide services of the government to residents. The closure will result in the delivery of services remotely. All public safety operations will continue.

The Haston Free Public Library in North Brookfield library trustees decided to close the library effective immediately until at least May 18. Library staff will be on site for short periods Monday through Thursday to collect mail and respond to phone messages.

East Quabbin Land Trust postponed its 19th annual dinner and silent auction to Saturday, Sept. 19.

The Asparagus Festival scheduled for Saturday, May 16 on West Brookfield Common has been cancelled for this year. It will return in May 2021.

EQLT rescheduled its accessible trail workday to June 21.

The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) announced the Quabbin Visitor's Center is closed to the public, though the property is accessible. Those accessing the property are reminded that vehicles must exit at the posted time.

The Grandview Tenants Association has changed their annual raffle and bazaar from the beginning of June to the beginning of October this year.

Theatre at the Mount's "Honky Tonk Angels" (June) has been officially cancelled and they will make a decision

about their August production of "Newsies" by around May 18. It is too early to predict what will happen with the rest of the season but they hope to resume normal operations as soon as it is safely possible. performances (June). For questions about tickets, people may contact box-office@mwcc.mass.edu. For other issues and concerns, please contact Professor Gail Steele at g_steele@mwcc.mass.edu.

Tri-Parish Community Church 2020 Plant, Bake, Tag, and Craft Sale originally scheduled for May 30 and 31 has been cancelled for this year. The annual event will be back the first weekend in June 2021.

Because the safety of auxiliary members is the major concern, all American Legion Post 2 Auxiliary functions have been cancelled until further notice. Members will be kept informed as to when meetings will resume.

Wachusett Greenways events are cancelled through June 30. During this time the portable restrooms are removed from the Mass Central Rail Trail to protect from spreading the virus. Please greet others on the trail with a smile or wave as you pass at a good distance. Do not pass closely or draw near to people or pets on the trail.

All Massachusetts Audubon sanctuaries, trails, and buildings are closed until further notice.

Massachusetts Wildlife Management Areas are open, fishing is open and trout stocking will continue.

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Food pantry holds distributions May 21

BARRE — The next Barre Food Pantry distributions will occur Thursday, May 21 from 5:30-7 p.m.

The Barre Food Pantry wants to continue to fulfill its mission to get food to hungry and food insecure clients. The pantry must also continue to protect clients, volunteers and the larger community from the catastrophic spread of the novel COVID-19 to which no one has immunity. Many clients and volunteers are classified as high-risk due to their age and/or underlying health conditions.

As in the last three distributions, in order to maintain safe physical distances between volunteers and between volunteers and clients, May 21 will again be "drive-through" style distributions. Clients will line up in their vehicles on Park Street and proceed into the right hand (east) entrance driveway of the Barre

Congregational Church.

They will remain in their cars. They'll drive up and be checked in by a volunteer, then continue up to the church building where their groceries will be put into the trunk or wayback of their vehicles by volunteers.

Based on the success of the late March and April distributions, the Food Pantry volunteers believe this "drive-through" style is the safest possible way to get food to clients and to help keep everyone well.

Usually Pantry volunteers and clients are able to greet each other with a smile.

With all the volunteers and many clients now wearing masks in public, the volunteers encourage everyone to wear a mask of some kind and hope everyone will still hear the smiles in their voices.

While the pantry typically

has had an "all hands on deck" approach to welcoming volunteers, on May 21 they will once again be working with just a very small crew.

They are preparing for the distribution by only working in shifts at the pantry, in small household/family groups.

Please do not arrive to volunteer on May 21 without contacting Chuck Radlo first at 978-355-6463.

The pantry sincerely appreciates all the volunteers who have stayed home; this is not easy for our dedicated volunteers to do.

Because conditions have been changing rapidly, please continue to check for updates on the Barre Food Pantry website: http://www.barrefoodbank.org/index.htm and the Barre Food Pantry Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/Barre-Food-Pantry-100156068300314/



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Barre to hold vehicle parade

A first responder essential workers appreciation vehicle parade will be held Saturday, May 16 beginning from the Quabbin Regional High School back parking lot at 10:45 a.m. The vehicle parade honors Barre's Police, Fire, EMS, dispatchers, staff at Barre Health Center, the Barre Family Pharmacy, grocery stores, restaurants, farmers, teachers and everyone, who kept working to keep us going. Parade organizers ask first responders and other honorees to start lining up on the Barre Common no later than 10:30 a.m. while practicing social distancing. It will be held at 11 a.m. rain or shine. Vehicle participants will organize up at Quabbin Regional High School back parking lot, 800 South Street starting at 10 a.m. The Barre Lions Club has kindly offered to help line up the vehicles. At 10:45 a.m. the vehicles will travel out behind the high school parking lot through the Educational Support Building driveway. They will head down South Street to the Barre Common. When passing in front of Quabbin Regional High School they will honk horns to say thanks to all the workers, who have been at the high school distributing free meals to children pre-school to age 18. The procession will continue to Barre Common, cross Route 122 in front of the town hall go around in front of the Barre Congregational Church on Park Street, cross Rte. 122 again, then travel down Common Street to the South Street intersection where the parade will disperse.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels can help people over the age of 60 with home delivery of a hot meal. They should call Elder Services of Worcester at 508-756-1454 and ask for the nutrition program. Once set up, a volunteer will drop off a meal to their home.

Town election June 23

The Barre Board of Selectmen voted to hold the annual town election Tuesday, June 23 at its April 21 meeting. Both precincts will be open and polling hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

QRSD meal distribution days

The Quabbin Regional School District Food Service Department is distributing breakfast and lunch for all students in the district, age 18 and under. People do not have to attend a Quabbin school to participate. Distribution takes place every Monday, Wednesday and Friday while school is closed. Grab and Go breakfast and lunch will be distributed from 7 to 10 a.m. at the Hardwick Elementary School and the Quabbin Middle and High School. If parents have difficulty with transportation for food pickup, they may contact the Central Office at 978-355-4668 or email schoolmeals@qrsd.org

SNAP assistance

Anyone recently laid off due to the coronavirus may call Eileen Clarkson, HS-BCP, CDP, MS, MPA, director of the Barre Senior Center at 774-764-8702 for assistance in applying for the USDA Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Turtle count

The following people counted turtles in the May 7 Barre Gazette.
Barbara Kempski counted 6 turtles.
Laura McCarthy counted 6 turtles.
There were 6 turtles in the edition.

Barre Dining Center

BARRE — Elder Services of Worcester Area Nutrition Program welcomes guests to dine at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd. The following meals will be served for the week of May 18.

Meal sites are closed. There is only delivery of Meals on Wheels.

Volunteers are needed at the Barre dining site. Volunteers are needed for Meals on Wheels (mileage reimbursement) and in the kitchen. People should contact 978-355-5027.

MON. – Lasagna and meatballs, green beans, dessert item, sandwich roll

TUES. – Chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, black beans and corn, sour cream, fruit, pita bread

WED. – Roast pork with gravy, cornbread stuffing, roasted broccoli, fruit, marble rye bread

THURS. – Happy Birthday meal

Beef with onions and peppers, steak cut potato wedges, carrots, dessert item, sandwich roll

FRI. – Holiday Picnic Meal

Hot dog on bun, baked beans, coleslaw, mustard, fruit

*Diabetic friendly dessert
**Higher sodium entree

Meal includes milk and margarine. Menus are subject to change. All meals are served at about 11:45 a.m. each weekday. Reservations should be made the day before by calling 978-355-5027 before 10:30 a.m. The donation of \$2.50 per meal helps keep the program running.

Corrections policy

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Egg delivery time changes

Hubbardston Senior Center, 7A Main St., Hubbardston is closed until at least May 18. The time for egg delivery on Fridays changed to 10 a.m. to noon. There will be no fresh produce until further notice. People may call the senior center at 978-928-1400, extension 211 with any questions.

Country Hen Scholarship

The Hubbardston Board of Selectmen extended the deadline for the Country Hen Scholarship to Saturday, May 14 to give Hubbardston residents more time to submit their applications. For more information, people may visit the scholarship website.

Memorial Day parade cancelled

The Memorial Day Parade Committee announces the cancellation of the annual Memorial Day parade this year due COVID-19. Although there will be no parade, those that lost their lives during wars will be remembered with a small group of participants and maybe a video of the ceremony.

Council on Aging

Due to COVID-19 virus the town wide yard sale will be moved up to September. The Council on Aging will start taking donations for town wide yard sale as soon as the danger of COVID-19 is over.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Note: All meetings are closed to the public and will be held remotely.

BARRE

Board of Selectmen – May 18 at 6:30 p.m.
Board of Assessors – May 19 at 6 p.m.
Planning Board – May 19 at 7 p.m.
Sewer Commission – May 21 at 7 p.m.
Cemetery Commission – May 28 at 11 a.m.
Historical Commission – June 1 at 7 p.m.
Felton Field Commission – June 2 at 6:30 p.m.
Council on Aging – June 3 at 1 p.m.
Barre Housing Authority – June 4 at 3 p.m.
Cable Advisory Committee – June 9 at 7 p.m.
Annual Town Meeting – June 16 at 6:30 p.m.
Annual Town Election – June 23 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

HARDWICK

Council on Aging – May 14 at 9:30 a.m.
Gilbertville Water District – May 19 at 5:30 p.m.
Conservation Commission – May 19 at 6:30 p.m.
Finance Committee – May 26 at 5:30 p.m.
Board of Selectmen – May 26, June 8 and June 22, July 6 and July 20 at 6:30 p.m.
Gilbertville-Wheelwright Sewer Commissioners – June 8 at 5:30 p.m. and July 6 at 6:30 p.m.
Recycling Commission – June 2 at 6:30 p.m.
Board of Health – June 4 at 6:30 p.m.
Paige Library Trustees – June 4 at 7 p.m.

HUBBARDSTON

Board of Selectmen – May 26 at 6:30 p.m.
Open Space Committee – May 26 and June 30 at 7 p.m.
Conservation Commission – June 2 at 7 p.m.
Planning Board – June 3 at 6:30 p.m.
Historical Commission – June 6 at 10 a.m.
Town Center Committee – June 18 at 7 p.m.

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Cemetery Commission – May 14 at 7 p.m.
Council on Aging – May 18 at 10 a.m.
Nichewaug Inn and Academy Committee 2020 – May 18 at 6:30 p.m.
Board of Health – May 21 and June 4 at 7 p.m.
Petersham Historic District – May 21 at 7 p.m.
Planning Board – May 28 at 7 p.m.
Open Space and Recreation Committee – June 2 at 6:30 p.m.
Conservation Commission – June 2 at 7:30 p.m.

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Conservation Commission site walk – 10 a.m.
Ad Hoc By-law Committee – May 19 at 12:45 p.m.

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To date, Run Like the Dickens has been one of BSER's most successful fundraisers. It is a large-animal shelter specializing in equines and has an all-volunteer group called to support and care for neglected, abused and abandoned horses. BSER is exclusively publicly supported, which means it relies on fundraisers and donations to operate. Like many organizations, the pandemic has put them in a terrible financial position. Donations have decreased and the organization has cancelled fundraisers.

People are asked to consider making a donation to BSER. They may mail a check to Bay State Equine Rescue, 415 Hunt Road, Oakham, MA 01068.

With continued help, BSER is committed to continuing Run Like the Dickens in the future and so much more. People that already registered for the race and want a refund should email kmo@baystateequinerescue.com.

A Corona Church Service to Remember

By Carole Gariepy

PHILLIPSTON - Sunday, Mother's Day 2020, no church services allowed, but did that stop Pastor Stephanie Flynn of the Congregational Church of Phillipston from gathering her church family?

People liked the Easter outdoor drive-up service on the common when everyone could worship together safely-distanced in their cars, so she planned another one to celebrate mothers and also to congratulate the church's high school seniors, who soon would be graduating.

Cars decorated with blue and white ribbons to recognize the Narragansett seniors filled the parking spaces around the common and the parking area beside the church. Carnations were on the common to be distributed to mothers at the end of the service. To add to the festive atmosphere, one member passed out small bottles of bubbles to blow when the seniors passed by later in the service. The podium and speakers were set up outside, also chairs and music stands for the musicians. It was an occasion that takes extra preparation and becomes even more challenging on a cold, windy day.

But the coldness and high winds did not hinder the service. Pastor Stephanie, with her usual cheerfulness, commented that we wouldn't be bothered by Mayflies and she was able to laugh when the wind took off with her sermon notes and the loud speaker blew over. Fortunately, some fast-footed graduates rescued the notes and a parishioner quickly set up the speaker.

When she read from the



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These musicians perform "Pomp and Circumstance."

Bible, her son Andrew got down on his knees so he wouldn't block her from the parishioners' view while holding the pages in place. It was inspirational to see the spontaneous response of assistance from these young people.

Pastor Stephanie prayed with gratitude for the women in our lives, also for the Frontline people and those who are grieving at this difficult time. In her talk she compared the nurturing of mothers to the nurturing of Jesus - how a mother watches over her children as Jesus watches over us, how a moth-

er will never forgets her child as Jesus will never forget us, how mothers give us physical life and Jesus gives us eternal life also, a humorous comparison of how we say a mother's work is never done, that Jesus even had to get up after He died because He had more work to do.

Scout leader Jenny Chase closed with a prayer for the graduates, commending them with their achievements, reminding them that the challenges in their paths develop strengths, praying for them to have patient and caring hearts and blessing them as they spread their wings and go forward in life.

Graduates Elysia and Eryn Witts and Emily Jordan were presented precious graduation gifts, ones never given to seniors before toilet paper. Blue toilet paper with 2020 embossed on it. Dressed in their ceremonial gowns with added attire never worn by graduates before - gloves and masks - they walked around the common giving flowers to mothers as Jane French, Luran Witts, Pastor Stephanie and Andrew Flynn played "Pomp and Circumstance."

It was a cold day, but the most important part of our bodies was warm, our hearts.



Graduating seniors were presented toilet paper with 2020 embossed on it.

Templeton Veteran's Services host Food4Vets

BALDWINVILLE – The Baldwinville Legion Post 373 with the support of Massachusetts Military Support Foundation will be opening an empowerment center in Baldwinville.

Veterans are required to complete a form by going to https://clearpathnewengland.formstack.com/forms/food_supply_request_mmsf_baldwinville. They will be provided with a time and pickup

procedures in a confirmation email.

Pickup will be behind the Baldwinville Legion at 3 Central St., Baldwinville Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Boxes contain non-perishable food supplies, which should be sufficient to cover meals for 10-14 days for two adults.

For more information, veterans may contact NEC Jim Brehio at brehio131@gmail.com.

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Town election

The annual town election will be held Monday, May 18. Poll hours will be noon-4 p.m. instead of the usual 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. for annual town elections. The poll is located in the voting room at the Oakham Town Hall.

Oakham Congregational Church

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Town hall

The Oakham Town Hall is closed to the public until at least May 18. All public meetings will be physically closed to the public. The Oakham Police Department and Fire Department will always respond immediately to all 911 emergencies.

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Chicopee 4Rivers news

REGION - Since people cannot yet gather, Chicopee 4Rivers (C4R) encourages solo service or "safe space" river stewardship with the May "Care 4Rivers Challenge." C4R has a number of river access locations along its first Blue Trails that might need a spring-cleaning. People are welcome to bring a trash bag, stop by a site, be safe and pick up any trash they see and throw it in their trash at home. If there is a serious piece of debris, let Care 4Rivers know. Please send photos as well.

Sites needing cleanup include Indian Orchard/Water Street, Putts Bridge/River Road, Collins Portage, Red Bridge lower, Stevens Road/East Brookfield, Quaboag Pond launch, Rte. 67/9 rest area, Lucy Stone Park and wherever else people can help.

June-Rivers month

The plan will be to highlight one of the rivers each week and share any special features, history, conservation issues and paddling options. The river highlights will be posted on the website at www.c4rivers.org and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/C4Rivers/.

C4R has also begun to prepare a new Blue Trail on the Ware River. Care 4Rivers hopes to have things well laid out this year for final completion in 2021.

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SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS

Husband confused about spouse benefits

By Russell Gloor
Guest columnist

Dear Rusty: I am 65 and still working and plan to work for some time to come. My birthdate is February 1955. My wife is 64 and not working. Her birthdate is January 1956. Half of my benefit is more than half of hers. I am confused on the spousal benefit rules. If she were to take her Social Security early before she reaches her full retirement age, what are the rules that affect her?

Signed: Confused Husband
Dear Confused: First I must clarify that spousal benefits do not work as you have suggested, that “half of my benefit is more than half of hers.” Spousal benefits are always based upon the amount the individuals are due at their full retirement age, regardless of the age at which they claim. If half of your benefit at your full retirement age (FRA) is more than your wife’s full benefit at her full retirement age, then the difference between those two numbers is a “spousal boost,” which is added to your wife’s own payment amount when her spouse benefit starts. If she has reached her FRA when you claim and her spouse benefit starts, your wife will get the entire spousal boost; if she has not, the spousal boost will be reduced.

Your wife cannot collect a spousal benefit until you start collecting your Social Security, so if she claims benefits before you claim she will initially get only what she is entitled to on her own work record. Then when you claim, the “spousal boost” will be added to her benefit. If you claim at your FRA, your wife will not yet have reached her full retirement age, so her spousal boost amount will be reduced and added to her own reduced benefit amount, making her total benefit as your spouse less than 50 percent of your FRA benefit amount.

Your full retirement age is 66 years and 2 months and you won’t be entitled to full benefits until you reach that age. For your awareness, you can wait beyond your FRA and earn delayed retirement credits, up to age 70 when your benefit would be about 31 percent more than it would be at your FRA, but your wife cannot get her spousal boost until you claim.

And also for your awareness, if you claim benefits before you reach your FRA and continue to work, you’ll be subject to Social Security’s earnings limit (\$18,240 for 2020) which, if exceeded, will cause SS to take back some of your benefits. The earnings limit goes up by about 2.5 times in the year you reach your FRA and goes away when you reach your full retirement age.

Your wife’s full retirement age is 66 years and four months and any benefits she claims on her own record prior to reaching that age will be reduced. At 64 she could claim her own benefit from her own work record (assuming she has at least 40 Social Security credits), but that benefit would be reduced to about 85 percent of what she would get at her FRA. And claiming at age 64 would also affect the amount of her spousal benefit when that starts. The only way your wife can get 100 percent of the amount she is due as your spouse is to wait until her FRA to claim any benefit. If she claims her own benefit at age 64 or any time before her FRA, not only will her own benefit be reduced, but her eventual benefit as your spouse will be less than 50 percent of your FRA benefit amount, even if you wait to claim until your wife reaches her FRA. That’s because her spousal boost, when it occurs, will be added to the reduced Social Security retirement amount she is getting because she claimed before her full retirement age.

You are certainly not alone to be confused about spousal benefits as this is one of the most confusing areas of Social Security’s rules. But I hope the above provides what you and your wife need to make an informed claiming decision.

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In Past Pages

5 years ago (May 14, 1995)

The final Green Community grant project was completed in mid-April by Advanced Plumbing and Heating of Barre, updating the hot water heating system in Petersham Center School thereby saving an estimated 500 gallons of heating oil over the warm spring and summer months. All funds from the grant, \$138,425, have been spent on energy improvements in six municipal buildings. The goal of the grant, given the town by the Department of Energy Resources (DOER), is to save 20 percent on energy costs over five years.

Mackenzie Ryan, a senior at Quabbin Regional High School, held a fundraiser for her honor research class in January to benefit the Juvenile Diabetes fund through Boston Children’s Hospital. She organized and coordinated the event held at Quabbin in the form of a Glow In The Dark Volleyball Tournament. The balls used were all lit with LED lights and tape that glows in the dark was used to mark the court and nets. It truly was an amazing thing to see once the lights were turned off. As a result, she raised \$2,041.46. Boston Children’s Hospital invited her to visit the hospital and present the proceedings to them.

The 91st Friday Club Spelling Bee was held on May 1 at Ruggles Lane School. There were 14 contestants that participated. The winners were Aiden King, first place; Emma Ljungberg, second place and Kara Orsini, third place. The judges from the Friday Club were Diana Clark, Kathryn Inman and Margaret Marshall. A special thank you to the student’s coach, Keri Orne and Spell Mistress, Bethany Olson.

10 years ago (May 20, 2010)

At a recent meeting of the Petersham Grange #95 Norman L. LaPointe was honored with Petersham Grange’s 2010 Citizen Award. Norman recently retired as Highway Superintendent for the Town of Petersham after serving 29 years. During his tenure the roads were kept in excellent condition both summer and winter. In addition, Norman assisted the Cemetery Sexton many times as well as the Police and Fire Departments. Norman is from a family of 12 and those present had many stories to tell as well as all his neighbors and friends. A letter of commendation was read by the Cemetery Commission and a Citation was presented to Norman by the Selectmen of Petersham. At this same meeting George and Barbara Fiske of Athol were presented their 50-year jewels and 55-year seals for continued membership in the Grange for 55 years.

Mt. Holyoke College junior Elizabeth Tripp, of Rutland, competed in the open fences division of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) National Championship Horse Show, which was hosted by Kentucky Horse Park earlier in the month.

The Quabbin High School wrestling team held its annual awards banquet. As part of the ceremonies, certificate and letter winners were recognized; league all-

LOOK BACK
North Brookfield Historical Society - 1978



Turley Publications File Photo

Members of the North Brookfield Historical Society are from left, Kathleen Crevier, Board of Directors; Marian Yankauer, Corresponding secretary; Ralph Nichols, President; Janet Snelling, Board of Directors; Lois Emerson, Board of Directors; and Constance Richardson, Vice President.

star selectees were recognized and MVW (Most Valuable) and MIW (Most Improved) wrestlers were announced. Junior – Brandon Beauregard was selected the Most Valuable Wrestler while junior Terrence Flynn was named the Most Improved Wrestler for the 2009-2010 season. Mid-Wachusett League All-Stars included Sean Giorgi, Brandon Beauregard and Kane Hardaker. Beauregard was also recognized as a Worcester Telegram and Gazette Super Team All-Star.

25 years ago (May 18, 1995)

With the Common beautification project getting back in line, Earl Sample, Department of Public Works superintendent, and Richard Heyes and Mike LaBelle of the highway department recently brought the cast iron watering tub out of obscurity and back onto Barre Common near the “Welcome to Barre” sign. Ron Higgins, a member of the Barre Business Association, recently inquired about the old watering tub. About five years ago it was put into storage behind the Henry Woods building. At that time a pole was being moved and it was discovered that there was a well 60 feet deep on that little triangle of land. Sample said he had the well filled in for safety reasons. At one time there were seven wells on Barre Common. All but one on North Park in front of the library have been filled in. Delving into the history of this particular watering tub, it was discovered that it was given to the town by Joseph H. Higgins many years ago. He had bought it from the Town Farm, his son Joe said.

A court of honor conferred the status of Eagle Scout on Steven R. Perreault during a candle-lit ceremony held at Center School Friday night. A number of Scouting officials took part in the ceremony for Perreault, the first Hubbardston Scout in 15 years to achieve Eagle status. Perreault, 18, is the son of Robert and Marie Perreault of Williamsville Road Cutoff, and has one sister, Carrie. His Eagle project required permission from the Nashua Valley Scout Council to complete. Perreault coordinated and carried out a plan, using his Scout troop and some volunteers, to paint the 800-foot fence bordering Rural

Glen Cemetery on Route 68. The fence was given two coats of paint, and was completed in eight days, with 18 Scouts and eight adults contributing more than 263 hours.

Dance Cole Hubacz of Wheelwright Road, Barre will be heading to California this summer to participate in a prestigious national dance competition. The 11-year-old qualified for this competition by winning the title of Petite Master Dance in a competition in Connecticut in April where more than 100 young adults participated. Both competitions are sponsored by Dance Masters of America. Cole has been training at the Betty Gundersen Studio of Dance in West Brookfield since he was 6. For the competition he performed a jazz routine that was choreographed by Sheri Moore. Cole is the son of Michael and Joanna Hubacz of Barre. His sister, Jaclyn, age 9, is also a dancer. His grandparents are Mary Desplaines, Phyllis Hubacz and Tony Hubacz, all of North Brookfield.

38 years ago (May 19, 1982)

The son of James and Elaine Jackson of Hubbardston, Keith, has joined the Army’s Delayed Enlistment Program. After graduating high school, he will attend Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training in his career field of Air Defense Artillery Short Range Gunnery Crewman at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Children who received their First Communion at St. Thomas-a-Becket Church in South Barre under the guidance of instructor Victoria King, include: Melissa Davis, Amie Keddy, Dana Dougan, Nancy Cranston, Jessica Sprague, Darlene Dougan, Kristin White, Karen Latwis, Arlene Cleveland, Peter Fargnoli, Matthew Coppolino, Brian Borelli, Paul King and Douglas Mallozzi.

Members of the Quabbin Youth Soccer 12 and under age division include Derek Lichtfield, Keith Ryan, Jason Thompson, Brandon Smith, Keith Briggs, Amy Salvatore, John Kowal, Steven Judd, Jason Catalini, Kevin Langelier, John Benouski, Andy Bray, Tammy Banks, Keith Langelier, Tom Schnare, Lynn Berube and Chris Parsons.

Guest column

Adventures of Gertrude the Cat

By Ruth Robinson

Dear Folks,

I was on my best behavior last week because Missy didn’t feel well, but this week she seems to be full of pep.

So here goes, I noticed this morning that the cupboard next to the stove was slightly open. I wondered what was in there as I had not opened that one yet. I reached in and saw a lot of pans and pulled out a cookie rack, of all things and got my paw caught in the square holes. I finally shook it hard enough for me to get my paw out.

Wow, that is enough for that place. I guess I better find something else to do. Missy is in the other room so I will check the cupboard where she has her buttons, etc. I am not sure what else is in there, but I’ll soon find out. The bottom button shelf doesn’t interest me, but the second shelf has a lot of long boxes on it.

I’ll just pull one toward me and look in. Whoops, I pulled too hard and it is now on the floor and little things sprawled everywhere. There is a thing that Missy wears on her finger when sewing plus some spools of thread, I think. I wonder what those other things are. Anyway, it really doesn’t matter as I am in big trouble. Here comes Missy and I don’t have time to hide.

“Gertrude,” Missy yells, “What have you done this time? Those are my daughter’s special checkers sent to her by a friend in England. You better scoot and have your nap while I pick them up and forget about going in that cupboard again.”

Yes, folks I tried to look remiss, but I really did have fun. I only hope she remembers to give me my special tuna treat tonight. Time will tell on that score. Those treats are so delicious compared to others.

I suppose I shouldn’t complain. I do give Missy problems.

Love,
Gertrude



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Where is this?



This week's mystery photo is from New Braintree. If any readers know where this photo was taken, they may email edowner@turley.com or call the Barre Gazette at 413-967-3505, extension 100 with their answer by noon on Monday, May 18. The names of those that correctly guessed the location will appear in next week's edition. Paul Carlson, Dick Clark, Stephen Craven, Janice Jacobson and David Marsh correctly identified last week's photo. Last week's photo taken at Clark Cemetery, Westminster Road, Hubbardston.

Turley Publications Photo by Ellenor Downer

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Adam Couturier discussing learning for middle and high school students said, "No one taught through a pandemic." He said the College Board allowed students to take Advanced Placements exams from home, a first on its part.

Kristin Campione, special education director, said special education students were receiving a fraction of what they would get if school were in session. She said when the teachers get the students back in the classroom, they would assess them and see where they were. They would then work to get them to the level where they should be.

The superintendent said the district celebrated Lunch Hero Day last week to thank food service

personnel. This week, she said was Educator Appreciation Week and tomorrow would be National Nurse Day. Supt. Muir said the fall of 2020 has many unknowns and challenges.

Teacher advisory council

Evan Barringer of the teacher advisory council said teachers were working 40 and 50 hours per week. He said teachers in the Quabbin school district were doing a great job and had adapted to remote learning.

Meals

Cheryl Duval, Director of Administrative Services, said 25,803 meals were distributed. Of those, 16,142 were at the Quabbin Regional Middle High School and 9,661 at Hardwick Elementary School. She said to date the program cost \$6,000. She said some Hubbardston residents requested a

closer distribution site. MART of Gardner provided free transportation of meals to Hubbardston. She said a decision would be made on whether to stop the meal distribution June 24 or June 30 or to go through the summer. She said the Hardwick site was the only one that qualified for summer distribution as they had over 50 percent of students on the free or reduced lunch program.

Budget

Duval said she currently was spending for only essential needs. She said it was unknown when the house and senate budget would be released. The process might not be completed by June 30. She said she expected to be on a 1/12 budget. She said cash flow would be sufficient until December when the regional retirement assessment would be due.

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The deadline is Friday, May 15 by noon.

There are nine positions on the ballot. They include a three-year term to the board of selectmen, a three-year term to the board of assessors, a two-year term to the board of health, a three-year term to the board of health, a three-year term cemetery commission, a three-

year term as library trustee, a three-year term to the school committee, a three-year term as moderator and a five-year term to the planning board.

Candidates that returned nomination papers were Board of Selectmen Donald A. Haapakoski, 300 Coldbrook Road; Board of Health three-year term Ariana R. O'Neill, 89 Crocker Nye Road; Library Trustee Susan M. Meyer, 439 Lincoln Road, candidate for re-election; School Committee

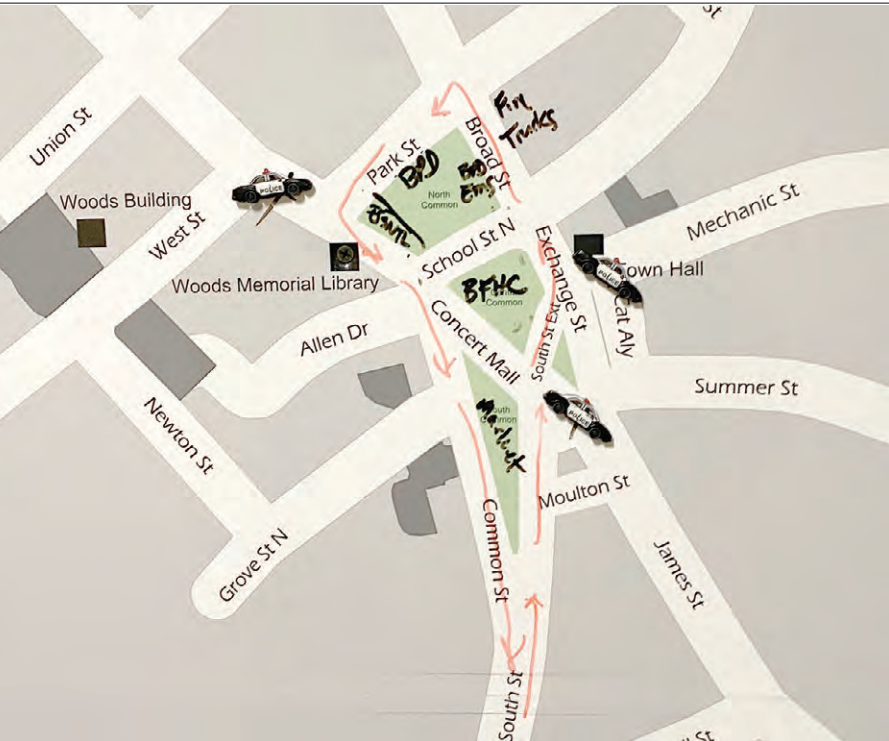
Walter H. Nutter, 114 Bullard Road, candidate for re-election and Planning Board Phillip B. Warbasse, 485 East Hill Road, candidate for re-election.

No one took out nomination papers for three-year term to Board of Assessor, a two-year term to Board of Health, a three-year term to Cemetery Commission and three-year term to Moderator. Dennis Bergin is a write-in candidate for moderator.

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they will honk horns to say thanks to all the workers, who have been at the high school distributing free meals to children pre-school to age 18. The procession will continue to

Barre Common, cross Route 122 in front of the town hall go around in front of the Barre Congregational Church on Park Street, cross Rte. 122 again, then travel down Common Street to the South Street intersection where the parade will disperse.



Submitted photo

This map shows the parade route for the first responder essential workers appreciation vehicle parade in Barre Saturday, May 16 at 11 a.m.



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Golf courses allowed to open, carts for those in need

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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After more than a month of waiting, a sigh of relief has come over at least one sport as Gov. Charlie Baker lifted the ban on golf courses. Golf courses were able to open up last Thursday after Baker took heat for being the only state in the country not to allow golfing.

Two golf courses in central Massachusetts, one of them being Wachusett Golf Course, was set to re-open despite the governor's ban, but Baker lifted it before owners could defy him.

His move was not made without restrictions, many of which

will slightly change how the game is played temporarily, such as the fact that flags must remain in the hole and flags that are hit with the ball not going in the hole are considered a completion of that hole.

One restriction that was met with a lot of unpopularity was the banning of the golf carts, requiring that people walk from hole to hole. For many older golfers, that made the prospect of hitting the course not feasible, and was something that would likely continue to chase golf business to neighboring states, including Connecticut.

But Sunday morning, Baker announced he was lifting the ban on carts, but only for people who

show a physical need for them.

According to Mass. Golf, the sport is a \$2.8 billion business in the state. Because golf can be done with a certain level of social distancing, many people have been clamoring for the re-opening of courses.

For now, with a number of guidelines, golfing is now possible for all ages. Not every golf course has opened, but most private courses have made the decision to open. Because Baker allowed course to employ maintenance staff during the full stay-at-home advisory period, most course were kept up and ready to go last Thursday when the order was lifted.

Municipally-run courses can be opened at the discretion of the individual towns. Agawam Mayor William Sapelli immediately opened Agawam Municipal Golf Course.

If you are thinking about heading out to the golf course, here are a few of the things you should know to play the game properly and safely under state guidelines: All golfers must maintain proper social distancing of at least 6 feet at all times. Groups of players are restricted to no more than 4 players at one time. Tee Time Policy must be 15 minutes between groups. Golfers must stay in their car until 15 minutes before their tee time and must return to their

car immediately following play. All golfers must use their own golf clubs. Sharing golf clubs or rental golf clubs is not allowed.

These are the rules for golf course: Course facilities including but not limited to the clubhouse, golf shop, restaurant, bag room and locker room must remain closed. Personnel will be present to enforce social distancing. No other employees will be allowed to work at the recreational component of the golf operation. All staff must wear face coverings while on property. Members-only clubs can allow guests as determined by the security personnel on the golf course. Private clubs that allow non-members to make

reservations can do so at their discretion. Maintenance personnel are permitted to work on the golf course. Online and remote payment options must be utilized. Flagsticks must remain in the hole. Hole liners must be raised so picking a ball out of the hole doesn't occur. Bunker rakes must be removed, and ball washers must be removed or covered. Practice putting green, driving range, and chipping areas must be closed. Facilities must have readily accessible hand sanitizer.

It is possible these restrictions will receive another look as the state begins to re-open. Golf is currently the only sport being played in the state.

Senior athletes to be highlighted in coming weeks

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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The Turley Publications sports department is looking to honor the senior athletes who have had their spring seasons cancelled by the coronavirus pandemic.

Over the next several weeks, the sports section will have stories and photos about the various spring sports teams that were never even able to have a practice, and eventually saw their full season cancelled. You can see them starting in this week's editions.

We will be talking with spring coaches and athletic directors, but would also love to hear from senior players about their feelings about the spring season being cancelled.

We hope to also publish action photos of seniors from previous seasons, though parents and coaches are encouraged to send photos of seniors they would like to see published in the upcoming editions of the paper.

If you don't see your child's sport in the paper, please encourage your son or daughter's coach to contact us so they can all be included.

All submissions can be made to Sports Editor Gregory A. Scibelli at sports@turley.com. In the subject line, please identify the school and sport you are writing in about. Senior athletes are also encouraged to write in to talk about the season that wasn't.

Sign-ups on hold for Quabbin League

REGION – The Quabbin Valley Over-30 Baseball League is seeking new players for 2020 season. The league has six teams, several with open roster spots. Last year, the league voted to allow players age 28 and 29 to be able to join the league, though players under 30 are not eligible to pitch. The cost of the league this season is \$192. For returning and new players, sign-ups have been placed on hold until a determination has been made on the season going forward. The league is hopefully to begin play sometime in June or July. The season is 15 regular season games plus at least one playoff game. A modified schedule is being worked on by league officials. Games are nine innings and metal (BBCOR -3) or wood bats are allowed. Fields locations are throughout Western Mass. For more information on the league, or if you are interested in registering, go to <https://www.quabbinvalleybaseball.org/>. The league is also in Facebook.

Ware youth basketball celebrates successful season



Submitted photos

The 4/6 league champions was Club 12: (front) Coach Doug Koczur, Ryder Cahalan, Riley Fox, Jack Marceau, Brodie Koczur, Sean Bernier and Coach Mike Bernier (back) Jonas Toutant, Alexandra Marceau, Callie Cygan. Missing from picture is Megan Lukaslie Cygan. Missing from picture is Megan Lukas.

WARE – The Ware Youth Basketball program had an exciting season over the winter. The success of the youth program is just one factor that has led to the success of the Ware High School programs. Although we saw a slight decrease in the amounts of children participating, there was still a total of 15 coed rec teams and 4 travel teams. Dan Orsulak also held the instructional clinic on Saturdays for children in grades K- 2. The clinic focuses on the basics of basketball including dribbling, passing, defensive techniques and shooting. Members of the Ware High Basketball teams assist with various duties that help the league run from referring to assisting with clinic. The players that helped out this season were: Lexie Orsulak, Chelsea Orsulak, Olivia Vadnais, John Soltys, Andrew Soltys, Dillon Slattery, Keith Smith and Camden Balicki.

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The 5/6 suburban team: (front) Kaleb Koszewski, Brodie Koczur, Kaleb Kanozek (back) Jack Gaudreau, Noah Sierra, Alex Orsulak, Brady Guimond, Coach Josh Kanozek. (Missing from picture): Sean Bernier, Kyle Kaczuka, and Nolen Finnie



The girls from the 5/6 Quabbin Valley champion team: (front) Reese McKeever, Madisyn Slattery, Aubrey Wiggins-Gilmore, Ciara Green, Maeve Stevens, Gabby Kaczuka (back) Andrea Albano, Isabella Cotaj, Coach Scott Slattery, Ellie Pendleton, and Hayssa Freitas.



The 7-9 champion Berkshire Blanket: (front) Owen McKeever, Ben Torres, Josh Dulak and Nathan Kaczuka. (Back) Coach Gary Soltys, Gavin Kanozek, Josh Mulligan, Shane Logan and Donnie Charron.

American Hockey League cancels remainder of 2019-2020 season

SPRINGFIELD - The Springfield Thunderbirds, in conjunction with the American Hockey League (AHL) and Chief Executive Officer David Andrews, announced today that the league's Board of Governors has voted to cancel the remainder of the 2019-20 AHL regular season and the 2020 Calder Cup playoffs due to the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis:

"After a lengthy review process, the American Hockey League has determined that the resumption and completion of the 2019-20 season is not feasible in light of current conditions. The League's operational focus has turned toward actively preparing for the 2020-21 season. We are very grateful to the National Hockey League and its teams for their support and leadership in navigating through the challenges faced over the past two months. The AHL continues to place paramount importance on the health and safety of our players, officials, staff and fans and all of their families, and we all look forward to returning to our arenas in 2020-21."

The AHL's standings – sorted by points percentage – and statistics as of March 12, 2020, are considered final and official, and will serve as the basis for determining league awards for the 2019-20 season.

Statement from Springfield Thunderbirds' President, Nathan Costa
These truly are unprecedented circumstances, and though it is not the outcome that we all hoped for, we fully support the decision made today by the

American Hockey League to cancel the remainder of the 2019-20 season. On behalf of the entire Thunderbirds organization, we would like to thank our great fans for their unwavering support this year as well as the Florida Panthers for their commitment to our city during the first four years of our franchise. Please continue to adhere to all local and federal guidelines in an effort to stay safe, and I can't wait to see all of you in a few short months to kick off our 5th Anniversary season at the MassMutual Center in 2020-21.

Though the final standings will show the T-Birds on the cusp of a playoff berth for the first time in their history, we continued to make an impact in the Springfield

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Valley Wheel Baseball looking for new players

REGION – The Valley Wheel Over-30 Baseball League is seeking new players for the upcoming 2020 season. The league is seeking players ages 28 and up. Players turning 28 this year are eligible. However, only players 30 and older can pitch.

The league plays 15 regular season games with games being held mostly on Sundays with a couple of weekday games thrown in the mix as well as a special Mother's Day Saturday game in early May. However, due to the current circumstances, the league schedule has been pushed back. The league

still plans to play its season once bans on gatherings are lifted.

The league is built on comradery, fair play, and having a good time with friends. If interested in trying out, go to www.valley-wheelbaseball.com. The rules of the league and new player forms can be found on the site.

For further information, you can contact the league's commissioner, Jim Nason at wheel12@comcast.net or call him at (413) 433-4308. Tryouts will be take place as soon as conditions are allowed, but new player applications are still being accepted.

Obituaries

DEATH NOTICES

Chilton, Carol A. (Lassey) Died May 3, 2020 Funeral Services will be private Pillsbury Funeral Home	Howe, Virginia P. Died May 1, 2020 Graveside service at a later date Pillsbury Funeral Home	Keddy, Mabel (Flagg) Died May 3, 2020 Burial will be private Pillsbury Funeral Home
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Carol A. (Lassey) Chilton, 75

NEW BRAINTREE — Carol A. (Lassey) Chilton, celebrated her 75th birthday on July 2 and entered into eternal life on May 3, 2020 unexpectedly after a strong and unwavering battle with her illness.

Carol is survived by her loving husband of 56 years, Richard J. Chilton; her son, Richard S. Chilton and his wife Lynda J. of New Braintree; two granddaughters, Jessica B. and Rebecca A. Chilton; sister, Wendy J. Chaiken and her husband, Scott H. of Ann Arbor, MI; brother, Jeffery P. Lassey and his wife, Lynne of Worcester, sister-in-law, Cindy Lassey of North Attleboro and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents, John E. and Marjorie A. Lassey and her brother, John S. Lassey. Carol was born in Worcester and attended South High School. She took great pride in working for many years in the customer service department at Norton Company in Worcester where she made many friends



across the country, retiring in 2005. She was a devoted mother and wife. She was an incredible role model and grandmother with a big heart, who loved to spend time with her family, trips to Hampton Beach, Brown's Lobster Pound and Theresa's Italian Kitchen.

She was an avid animal lover. She also enjoyed knitting, sewing, crafting and cooking, especially her famous potato salad and chocolate chip cookies. She most recently attended Christ Memorial Church in North Brookfield and was a former member of St. Matthews Episcopal Church in Worcester. She will be greatly missed.

Funeral services and burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Second Chance Animal Shelter, 372 North Main St., North Brookfield, MA 01535. Arrangements are under the care of Pillsbury Funeral Home, 44 Gilbert St., North Brookfield.

Virginia Pearl Howe, 102

BARRE – Virginia Pearl Howe, 102, died peacefully on May 1, 2020 from complications of COVID-19. The family wishes to thank the staff at Cornerstone and Milford Regional Medical Center for their dedication and care. Born January 23, 1918 in Athol, Virginia grew up in an area of Hardwick that is now part of the watershed for Quabbin Reservoir. She married in 1936 and then moved to Barre in 1940 where she lived until 2016 when she moved to Cornerstone at Milford Assisted Living.

She was predeceased by her parents, Clarence and Edna (Burgess) Lyman; brothers, Douglas Lyman and Gordon Lyman; her first husband, Arthur Blackmer and her second husband, Henry Howe. She is survived by a daughter, Betty Wickis and husband Jim of Medwa; a son Dana Blackmer and wife Amy of Richmond, VA; four grandchildren: Peter Wickis, David Wickis, Lee Blackmer and Jane Blackmer; nieces, nephews, cousins and their extended families.

Fueled by her boundless curiosity, independence, and optimism, she was a life-long learner.

Mabel (Flagg) Keddy, 80

BARRE — Mabel (Flagg) Keddy, 80, died peacefully on May 3, 2020 in Heywood Hospital. She leaves a son, Daniel J. Keddy of Oceanside, CA and a daughter, Leona (Flagg) Better of Barre; four siblings, Rodney Flagg and Louise of Orange, Paul Flagg and Sue of Hubbardston, Rosemary Pinn of Athol and Janet Smillie and Matt of Sandwich; eight grandchil-

dren; many nieces and nephews. Mabel resided at Wachusett Manor in Gardner. She attended the old Barre High School and later became a homemaker.

Private burial will be held in Kendall Plains Cemetery Old Coldbrook Road, in Barre. Arrangements are under the care of Pillsbury Funeral Home, 96 South Barre Road, Barre.

The Beatitudes of Christ Pt. 3

In recent weeks we have sought to understand the teaching of Christ commonly known as the Beatitudes. Please consider the following selection from the Gospel of Matthew (NIV):

Matthew 5:3-12

3 Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

5 Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. 12 Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Having established the meaning of verses 3-4 in a previous edition, let us reflect upon Matthew 5:5-7.

1) Blessed are the Meek (v. 5)

What does it mean to be meek? This is perhaps one of the most misunderstood terms in all of Scripture! Meekness, as we shall see, is a nuanced term with a two-fold meaning.

Firstly, meekness refers to a humility before God. Thus, there is a vertical aspect to scriptural meekness. Those who are genuinely poor in spirit (v. 3) and sorrowful for their sin (v. 4) have only one posture before God: humility. It would appear that meekness—in essence—is inherently the outflow of the previous two Beatitudes.

It is worth noting that the ancient Greeks used the word “meek” to describe a horse that had been broken for its master's use. The one who owns a horse desires an animal that is quick to obey and listen (i.e., broken). Could it be that this is what the Lord desires of His creation—that we would be quick to obey and to listen to His Word? According to the teaching of Christ, the answer is a resounding yes!

Secondly, meekness refers to a humility amongst men. Thus, there is also a horizontal aspect to meekness. Biblical meekness is characterized by a sacrificial selflessness. It is the willingness to deny oneself in preference to others. The person who is meek does not seek to assert Himself or demand his or her way, because they have discovered an important truth: it is not all about them.

Such a life is precisely what Scripture calls us to. Take note of the words of the apostle Paul:

Philippians 2:3-4

3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, 4 not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others [THIS is MEEKNESS].

Ultimately, those who are humble before God and selfless among men are assured the most wonderful reward:

Matthew 5:5

5 Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

2) Blessed are those Who Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness (v. 6)

As humans we know what it means to hunger and thirst in a natural sense. We hunger and thirst when our bodies require nutrients, water and beyond. There is a good chance you are hungry and thirsty as you read this publication! We also know what it means to hunger and thirst in a figurative sense. We desire, long for and crave an array of elements (e.g., security, attention and affection, money and success, authority, prestige, etc.). In fact, it is amazing what people will do to satisfy such longings!

It is worth noting that such elements might be essential (i.e., water and food) and even good in their place (e.g., money, power, etc.). Yet Christ directs us to that thing we

should crave, long for and desire most. In other words, if we are to seek anything, let it be “rightness” with God.

Why? Why does Jesus place priority on right standing with God above all else? Simply stated, what good is fame, fortune, accolade and physical health if we are not right with Him? As Jesus taught elsewhere (Mark 8:36): “What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?”

Are you hungry for a genuine relationship with God? Do you long to be right with Him? Then take joy in the following promise—offered to those who trust in Him: “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled” (Matthew 5:6).

3) Blessed are the Merciful (v. 7)

What is required of the one who has been shown mercy by God? Specifically, He requires that we show mercy to others. Though this is one of the most difficult aspects of Christianity to practice, we cannot dismiss the reality that followers of Christ are to practice forgiveness! The following passages affirm this statement.

Ephesians 4:32

32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Colossians 3:13

13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

Of course, my favorite text on this topic is offered by Christ Himself in Matthew 18. I will include it for your perusal at this time, with a few notes inserted at times for the sake of clarity. Read it slowly and prayerfully, and let the Lord speak to your heart:

Matthew 18:21-35

21 Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?”

22 Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

23 “Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. 24 As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold [i.e., the equivalent of 200,000-years wages] was brought to him. 25 Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

26 “At this the servant fell on his knees before him. ‘Be patient with me,’ he begged, ‘and I will pay back everything.’ 27 The servant's master took pity on him, canceled the debt

and let him go.

28 “But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins [i.e., the equivalent of 100-days wages]. He grabbed him and began to choke him. ‘Pay back what you owe me!’ he demanded.

29 “His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, ‘Be patient with me, and I will pay it back.’

30 “But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. 31 When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened.

32 “Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. 33 Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’ 34 In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.

35 “This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

We cannot read this account without feeling the gravity of Jesus' words. We must learn to show forth the mercy we ourselves have received. Those who do shall abide in the mercy of heaven (see Matthew 5:7).

Do you desire a life characterized by an abiding spiritual happiness?

Do you desire a life that is favored by the Lord (both now and forevermore)?

Do you desire a life that the Lord Himself establishes as both esteemed and enviable?

Then take note of the teaching of Christ and be quick to obey! Thank you for taking the time to read these words. Should you wish to connect further, visit us online at www.NewLifeBarre.org or contact me at 978-355-6407. May the Lord bless you all.

Pastor James Foley
New Life Assembly of God
South Barre

Pastoral Reflections for Mother's Day

I recently heard of a book called “How to Do Nothing,” written by Jenny Odell. I haven't read the book but I am intrigued by the title. It may be just what we need for this time, a guide to doing nothing for a day or two, benefiting those who find it difficult to take advantage of this pause, or those who need to consistently keep busy. It is rare to get such an opportunity to pause, to be quiet.

How

has this time been for you? Has your pace been leisurely or are you one who must be busy? Has it flown by or has it gone really slowly? However it's been, enough time has passed that this week we celebrated Mother's Day. It's hard to believe that much time has gone by. Florists and jewelers were re-opened, with some restrictions, of course, in time for this day. Celebrations were different; mother's received love remotely, through windows or while on their balconies. True to the human spirit, even in the midst of a most challenging time, the day did not go by without notice. Even if it seems like life is standing still, celebrating these moments as we always have, provides a way of keeping us grounded. Acknowledging not only the moms in our lives but also any who have fulfilled a mom like role for us, it seems right that we will be thinking of them and all the moms around us this week. One thing that comes to mind is that in today's world it might be hard to find a mom who is doing nothing.

They are our first responders, nurses and doctors on the front lines. They are our health aides providing personal care to the sick and elderly. They are in the labs working on a vaccine for this virus. They are in the grocery stores and take out restaurants putting food on our tables. In their homes, they are cooking, cleaning, washing, babysitting, homeschooling, entertaining. And if that's not enough, many are also working from home while caring for their families. Like all of the creative ways they were shown love on their day of celebration, they manage to weave love into all these things they are doing. On this 106th year of Mother's Day celebrations, we know that this one is profoundly different enough to cause deep worry for them about their children and their children's future.

May we hold them in our thoughts and our prayers. Blessed be and Amen

Chaplain Lisa Kirk
First Parish Unitarian
Church of Hubbardston

Fifth Sunday of Easter

“When Jesus engages with women...”
Scripture Reading:
Luke 10:38-42

At the Home of Martha and Mary 38 As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. 39 She had a sister called Mary, who

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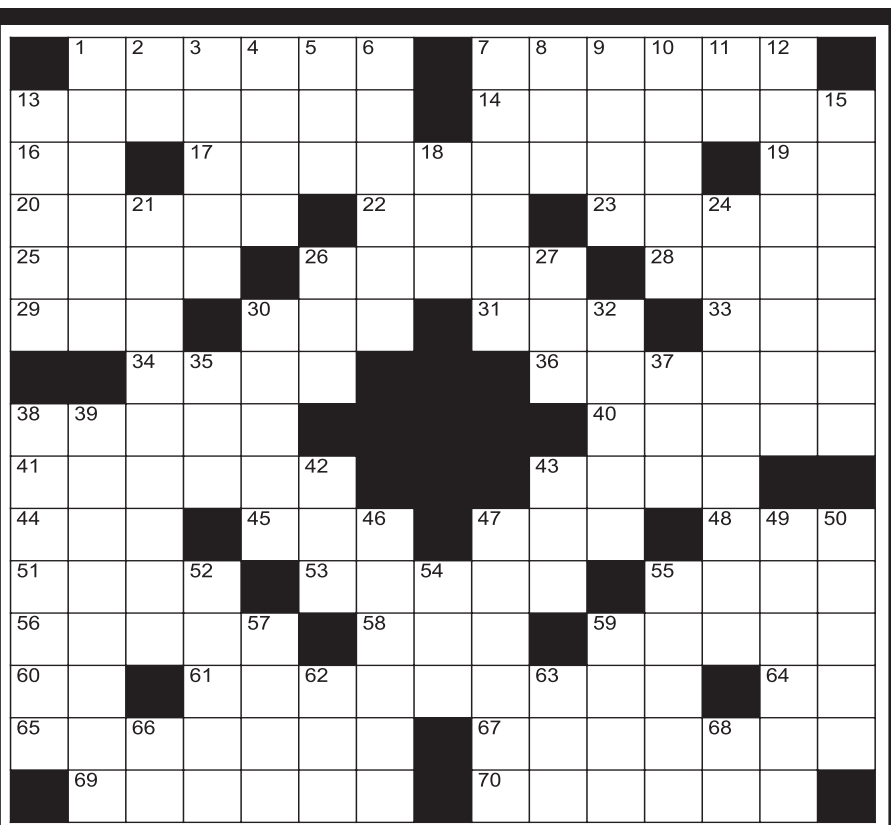


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- Angolan currency
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- Disappointed
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- Gets up

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- Bear bright yellow flowers
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- Famed activist Parks
- ___ Spumante (Italian wine)
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Barre Gazette OBITUARY POLICY

Turley Publications offers two types of obituaries.

One is a free, brief **Death Notice** listing the name of deceased, date of death and funeral date and place.

The other is a **Paid Obituary**, costing \$100, which allows families to publish extended death notice information of their own choice and may include a photograph. **Death Notices & Paid Obituaries** should be submitted through a funeral home to: obits@turley.com.

Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

NOTICE

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Church News

Tri-Parish Community Church News

Plant, bake, tag, and craft sale cancelled

The Tri-Parish Community Church cancelled its annual plant, bake, tag, and craft sale, originally scheduled for May 30 and 31. The annual event will be back the first weekend in June 5 and 6, 2021 and we hope to see everyone then.

It is the hope that patrons who normally support the event, will instead support our local vendors during this difficult time: Chicken Feather Farm, 55 Sibly Road, New Braintree, at 413-477-6005, by appointment; Inishowen Farms, 18 North Street, North Brookfield at 508-867- 4012, see them on Facebook; and Stillman's Farm, 1205 Barre Road, New Braintree at 508-867-7193,

Stillmans@verizon.net and www.stillmansfarm.com.

Note from treasurer:

Although the Tri-Parish Community Church has cancelled church services until further notice, the church community is resilient and is meeting the challenges of the COVID-19 crisis in many ways. Church members are staying in touch by phone, e-mail and Facebook, and visits to the elderly happen through the glass of unopened doors; food and gifts of flowers, puzzles, and facemasks are left on doorsteps. Funds continue to flow in and out of the church accounts, but at a lower rate than when we are fully functioning. The good news is that we are able to meet our financial obli-

gations. Most heartening are the donations the church received for both the Food Pantry and Deacon's Fund.

Pledges and Offerings

Continuing to support the church with pledges and offerings is still vital whether or not the members are able to congregate for services. They can be mailed to the church at P.O. Box 202, New Braintree, MA 01531 where the treasurer will collect them or donations can be made through the website: triparishcommunity-church.com.

Bible Study with Shawna Andrews is on hold until further notice.

Hardwick Memorial Handbell Choir will go on hiatus until the fall.

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sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.

40 But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

41 "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things,

42 but few things are needed - or indeed only one.[a] Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

I. Introduction:

I don't know about you, but when I read this passage, I see a little bit of myself in Martha, who spent quite a bit of time and energy cleaning house and making all kinds of preparations for Jesus' visit. A dear friend of mine once commented how she felt like a huiskind/a house child at our home. She was not expecting a place that was perfectly clean but enjoyed the company and the unconditional love she received. It feels good though, to get things ready and open one's home to friends and family and share the comfort of a home.

II. A special visit by Jesus to the home of Martha and Mary At first glance, this visit of Jesus to the home of Martha and Mary gives me such a cozy and comfortable feeling. We see Him entering and settling in with Mary at His feet listening to Him, and Martha getting things ready for their guest. Earlier in Luke we read how Jesus instructed His disciples how to behave when they were guests at people's homes. They were to greet the inhabitants with peace and eat and drink whatever was offered to them. This was pretty much the practice during the time of Jesus and His disciples as they were traveling and visiting with people. So, Jesus was going to enjoy a great meal, and have some good conversations with them, and maybe have some rest, since He and His disciples had been traveling quite a bit. It is obvious that he was quite comfortable visiting these two women, even though it was not customary for women and men to intermingle during the ancient times. Martha and Mary, however, were the sisters of Lazarus whom Jesus resurrected, so they knew Him well enough to invite Him in as their friend. From our knowledge of Jesus and His interaction with women, it was clear that He made women feel at home in His presence. They were traveling with Him like the men in the crowds; and when they needed healing, He responded to their needs. He

engaged with them, He knew their circumstances, and never judged them. Jesus transformed the old order and ushered in a new way of being, where men and women would receive the same treatment, the same love, and He made His teachings of the Good news available to them all. He made the whole family feel loved and embraced by His openness.

III. Jesus finds Himself in the middle of a dispute! In our passage both sisters are attentive to Jesus's presence in their own way...Martha offering Him hospitality and Mary sitting at his feet, listening to Him. This cozy setting quickly develops into a bit of a tense situation when Martha expresses to Jesus her dissatisfaction about Mary not helping out. She must have been frantic and tired from all the hard work, and understandably so. They have a guest, after all, and this guest is Jesus Christ. Mary on the other hand, is so captivated by His presence, listening attentively to His message and His travels. She has a completely different focus and interest. Jesus finds himself in the middle of a potential dispute. Let us see how He handles it. First, He does not tell Mary to go and help. He also does not tell Martha to stop the preparations, however He strikes a fine balance between the two actions of these women. While He acknowledges Martha's need to treat Him the best way she could, He cautions her about all her worries and upset about the many things that needed to get done. He tells her, "Only one thing is needed, Martha, and Mary is getting that from Me right now." Jesus was the better portion than the food that was offered. While Martha prepared the food that would be eaten and be gone, Mary chose to listen to the spiritual food that could not be taken away from her. He wants Martha to see the importance of Mary's action, which is to sit and listen to the message of the Gospel. Historically, when someone was sitting at the feet of the teacher, it was considered an important act of studying and becoming like a disciple of that teacher. We read elsewhere about Paul himself sitting at the feet of Gamaliel, listening, and studying.

Jesus wants Martha to participate in the real purpose of His visit—that is, to hear the Good news he wanted to share with them. He did not just visit as an earthly friend, instead, He was there to teach them about the things that would nourish them spiritually. Mary is the quiet character in this

story. Her mind, heart and soul had been touched by what He shared with her. She learned about the love of God for every human being. She learned about the compassion we see in the parable of the Good Samaritan just before this passage. She learned about prayer. She is in the process of being transformed spiritually and becoming a follower and student of Christ.

The story gives us the impression that these two sisters are in opposition to each other. The truth is, that Martha's focus on being a good hostess was not a bad thing. It does not mean that Mary was the better person either. It just means that when Christ showed up, Martha struggled to recognize Why He was there. He did not need all that stuff she was preparing. He came with a message for them as sisters. He needed them both to have a listening ear for what He had to say.

IV. Conclusion

This message on this Mothers' Day is for all the mothers and women out there, and our men can listen too! Whether we are cooking or cleaning house, do work outside, or do all the good things for the church, this message brings home the importance of a Jesus visit. A Jesus visit at our homes does not require a perfect place. A Jesus visit says, "I am here! I need your attention for a while. Stop what you are doing and get to know Me and what I am about. There is a lot to learn and if you ask the question, I will be there to teach you. All I need, is a quiet moment with you, if you have the time to listen." This passage also shows us how different we are in the presence of our Lord! We have different personalities, and we respond to Him in different ways. It is a message, however, that breaks through those differences, and teaches us how Christ is accepting of all of us and wants to teach us the deeper things He has to offer. We find ourselves at our homes, not able to invite our friends and loved ones in ways we are used to, because of the pandemic. Well, this may be a good time to accept that offer from our Lord Jesus Christ, to find some quiet moments, and maybe read some of the biblical stories we have not read before, or spend a little more time in prayer. In doing that we might just discover a specific message that Jesus has for each one of us. We may just find the strength and hope we need for the days ahead.

Blessings to all of you, and happy Mother's Day. Amen
Pastor Margaret Keyser
Barre Congregational Church

Public Notices

Invitation to Bid Town of Hardwick, Massachusetts FY 2021 Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel, #2 Heating Oil, Propane, Heating Equipment Service and Gasoline

The Hardwick Board of Selectmen as awarding authority, invites sealed bids for the procurement of the following goods and services:

- Item 1. Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel - Highway Department
- Item 2. #2 Heating Oil All Public Buildings

- Item 3. Propane Gas
 - Item 4. Heating Equipment Service Rates
 - Item 5. Gasoline
- Bid specifications are available on the towns' website www.townofhardwick.com or by request via email at admin@townof-hardwick.com

Sealed bids plainly marked, for road materials and/or the items listed above will be received

at the office of the Town Administrator, 307 Main Street, Gilbertville, Massachusetts, 01031 until 4:00 P.M. on Monday,

Monday June 8th, 2020

Bids will be opened and publicly read at the Selectmen's Meeting held at the Municipal Office Building, 307 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA on Monday June 8th, 2020 at 6:30 PM. **Please note, the meeting may be held remotely/virtually if the current ban of social gathering has not been lifted by the Governor prior to this meeting. Information on how to attend the remote/virtual meeting will be posted on the Town's website in advance**

of said meeting.

Bids may be mailed or delivered to the Town Administrator's Office, Municipal Office Building, 307 Main Street, P.O. Box 575, Gilbertville, MA 01031.

The Town of Hardwick reserves the right to reject any and all bids deemed not to be in the best interest of the Town.

Kenan P. Young,
Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Town of Hardwick
5/14, 5/21/2020

Public Safety

Barre Police Log

Sunday, April 26

9:24 p.m. Motor Vehicle Suspicious Common Street – No Action Required

Monday, April 27

2:13 a.m. Alarm, Commercial Worcester Road – Building Checked/Secured

3:17 a.m. Breaking and Entering in Progress Commercial South Street – Returned to Family/Guardian

10:01 a.m. Fire, Automatic Alarm Old Coldbrook Road – Investigated

Tuesday, April 28

6:38 p.m. Disturbance, Person(s) Wilton Street – Officer Spoke to Party

7:12 p.m. Disturbance, Motor Vehicle Stetson Road – Officer Advised

Wednesday, April 29

1:15 a.m. Welfare Check Hubbardston Road – Officer Spoke to Party

10:24 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Fruitland Road – Ambulance Signed Refusal

11:25 a.m. Welfare Check West Street – Services Rendered

3:54 p.m. Alarm, Commercial South Street – Officer Spoke to Party

7:44 p.m. Assist Other Police Department North Brookfield Road – Unfounded

Thursday, April 30

12:51 a.m. Welfare Check Hubbardston Road – Officer Spoke to Party

10:40 a.m. Unattended Death Marsh Road – Investigated

4:37 p.m. Property Lost and Found Athol – Message Delivered

7:49 p.m. Animal Control Jackson Lane – Officer Advised

Friday, May 1

12:22 a.m. Welfare Check Hubbardston Road – Officer Spoke to Party

6:37 a.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Williamsville Road – No Action Required

10:28 a.m. Vandalism Stetson Road – Report Filed

4:02 p.m. Motor Vehicle Erratic Worcester Road – Negative Contact

6:11 p.m. Suspicious Activity James Street – No Police Service Necessary

Saturday, May 2

1:13 a.m. Welfare Check Hubbardston Road – Officer Spoke to Party

2:24 p.m. Alarm, Commercial Sanderson Road – Message Delivered

2:40 p.m. Recreational Vehicle Complaint Nichols Road – Negative Contact

4:13 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent West Street – Confirmed Misdial

5:58 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Kendall Street – Confirmed Misdial

6:47 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent WPH1Cell Tower – Confirmed Misdial

9:43 p.m. Motor Vehicle Suspicious Worcester Road – No Action Required

11:11 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/ Misdial/Abandoned/Silent South Street – Confirmed Misdial

Sunday, May 3

12:47 p.m. Recreational Vehicle Complaint Fruitland Road – Officer Spoke to Party

1:55 p.m. Suspicious Person Vernon Avenue – Unfounded

5:25 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Nourse Lane – Services Rendered

Monday, May 4

12:04 a.m. Disturbance, Person(s) South Street – Criminal Complaint

6:50 a.m. Alarm, Commercial Old Coldbrook Road – Canceled

12:17 p.m. Harassing/Annoying Phone Calls Ruggles Lane – Officer Spoke to Party

11:19 p.m. Missing Person West Street – Negative Contact

Tuesday, May 5

6:52 p.m. Trespassing Bentley Road – Officer Advised

Wednesday, May 6

2:45 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency North Brookfield Road – No Fire Service Necessary

8:57 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Austin Street – Transported to Hospital

Thursday, May 7

2:41 p.m. Trespassing School Street North – Officer Spoke to Party

6:17 p.m. Trespassing Flaherty Road – Peace Restored

8:47 p.m. Fire, Automatic Fire

Alarm Town Farm Road – False/ Accidental/Defective Alarm

Friday, May 8

11:24 a.m. Recreational Vehicle Complaint Old Coldbrook Road – Negative Contact

6:13 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Common Street – Confirmed Misdial

6:29 p.m. Property Damage Bentley Road – Officer Spoke to Party

Saturday, May 9

11:35 a.m. Alarm, Commercial Pleasant Street – False/Accidental/ Defective Alarm

1:44 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Common Street – Services Rendered

1:53 p.m. Breaking and Entering Past Residential South Street – Report Filed

2:09 p.m. Assault Valley Road – Investigated

4:41 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Vernon Avenue – Transported to Hospital

5:28 p.m. Alarm, Commercial South Street – Secured

SOUTH BARRE

Sunday, April 26

2:39 p.m. Animal ACO Call Vernon Avenue – Message Delivered

Wednesday, April 29

4:49 p.m. Motor Vehicle Abandoned School Street South – Information Taken

Thursday, April 30

4:04 p.m. Animal Complaint Chamberlain Hill Road – Information Taken

Tuesday, May 5

9 a.m. Fraud North Brookfield Road – Message Delivered

Wednesday, May 6

3:55 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Main Street – Confirmed Misdial

Friday, May 8

9:52 p.m. Motor Vehicle Suspicious Wheelwright Road – Officer Advised

Saturday, May 9

1:16 p.m. Vandalism South Barre Road – Officer Advised

Oakham Police Log

Sunday, April 26

9:40 a.m. Illegal Dumping Flint Road – Officer Spoke to Party

10:30 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency New Braintree Road – Referred to Other Agency

Tuesday, April 28

4:34 p.m. Motor Vehicle Erratic North Brookfield Road – Negative Contact

Thursday, April 30

3:33 p.m. Suspicious Activity Old Turnpike Road – Report Filed

6:04 p.m. Motor Vehicle Erratic Worcester Road – Negative Contact

Friday, May 1

4:11 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/

Abandoned/Silent Hapgood Road – Confirmed Misdial

6:14 p.m. Motor Vehicle Erratic Worcester Road – Negative Contact

Saturday, May 2

4:42 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Worcester Road – Confirmed Misdial

Monday, May 4

10:06 a.m. Motor Vehicle Disabled Skyline Drive – Vehicle Towed

3:33 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency North Brookfield Road – Transported to Hospital

Tuesday, May 5

5:20 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/

Abandoned/Silent Crawford Road – Negative Contact

Wednesday, May 6

10:40 a.m. Fire, Illegal Burn East Hill Road – Investigated

11:42 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency North Brookfield Road – Referred to Other Agency

3:34 p.m. Disturbance, Person(s) Crocker Nye Springs – Report Filed

5:37 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency North Brookfield Road – Referred to Other Agency

Thursday, May 7

5:42 p.m. Motor Vehicle Disabled Barre Road – Information Taken

Hubbardston Police Log

Sunday, April 26

2:47 p.m. Gunshots Mt. Jefferson Road – Unfounded

Monday, April 27

1:40 p.m. Unattended Death Gardner Road – Referred to Other Agency

3:05 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Healdville Road – Officer Spoke to Party

5:49 p.m. Identity Theft Pitcherville Road – Officer Advised

Tuesday, April 28

10:59 a.m. Suspicious Activity Grimes Road – Officer Spoke to Party

11:31 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Madison Way – Ambulance Signed Refusal

5:17 p.m. Public Assist Hale Road – Transported to Hospital

7:50 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Burnshirt Road – No Transport Required

7:51 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Gardner Road – Citation Issued

Wednesday, April 29

10:43 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Williamsville Road – Transported to Hospital

1:12 p.m. Fire, Brush New Templeton Road – Fire Extinguished

1:41 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Old Boston Turnpike – No Fire Service Necessary

1:42 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Bemis Road – Information Taken

2:41 p.m. Fire, Medical

Emergency High Street – Transported to Hospital

2:58 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Personal Injury Worcester Road – Ambulance Signed Refusal

Thursday, April 30

5:01 p.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Gardner Road – Confirmed Misdial

5:54 p.m. Fire, Smoke Investigation Gardner Road – Investigated

6:08 p.m. Breaking and Entering Past Residential Mt. Jefferson Road – Investigated

Friday, May 1

10:08 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Burnshirt Road – Transported to Hospital

Saturday, May 2

3:30 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Gardner Road – Citation Issued

Sunday, May 3

12:42 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Personal Injury Rte. 62 – Ambulance Signed Refusal

5:02 p.m. Fire, Smoke Investigation Gardner Road – Fire Extinguished

Monday, May 4

1:21 p.m. Building/Property Check Skate Park – Party Departed Without Incident

10:54 p.m. Alarm, Commercial Main Street – Building Checked/ Secured

Tuesday, May 5

12:01 p.m. Fire, Smoke Investigation Old Westminster Road – Investigated

1:22 p.m. Welfare Check Main Street – Officer Spoke to Party

5:35 p.m. Neighbor Dispute Gardner Road – Officer Spoke to Party

5:49 p.m. 911 – Transfer Wachusett Mountain – Call Transferred

Wednesday, May 6

8:33 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Old Princeton Cutoff Road – Ambulance Signed Refusal

Thursday, May 7

7:04 a.m. 911 – Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Natty Pond Drive – Information Taken

9:18 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Bemis Road – Ambulance Signed Refusal

10:50 a.m. Motor Vehicle Suspicious Old Boston Turnpike – Officer Spoke to Party

Friday, May 8

5:43 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Gardner Road – Arrest(s) Made

Summons: Ruben N. Pablico, 66, Hubbardston
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Saturday, May 9

9:35 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued

5:30 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued

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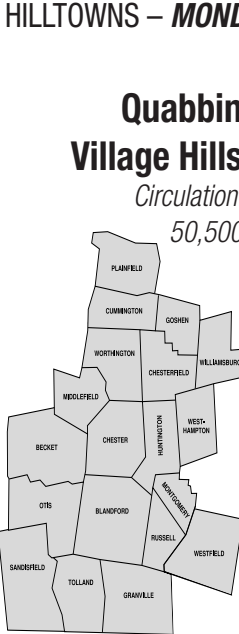
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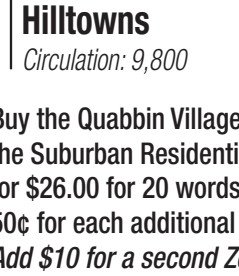
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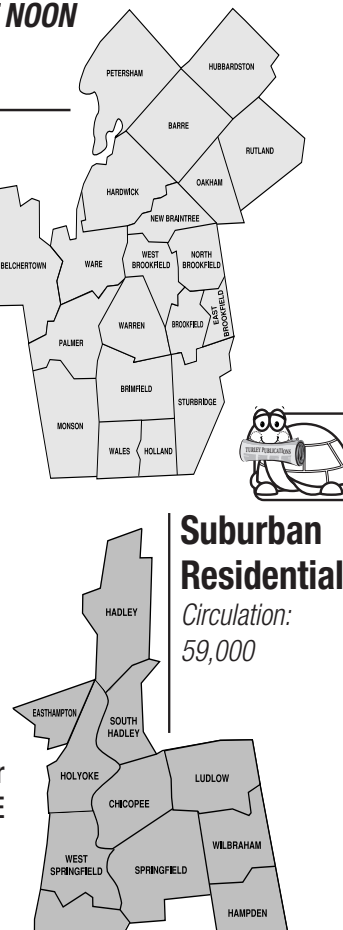
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